HOUSE BILL 2331

By Bricken

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2, relative to voting machines.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-9-101, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

- (1) On and after January 1, 2024, and notwithstanding another law to the contrary, each voting machine used by a county election commission must have the capability of producing a voter-verified paper audit trail.
- (2) A county election commission may apply to the coordinator of elections for an extension of up to two (2) years if necessary to comply with subdivision ()(1).
- (3) As used in this subsection (), "voter-verified paper audit trail" means a permanent, individual paper document that is marked either manually by the voter or with the assistance of a device and verified by the voter as correctly reflecting the votes made by a voter.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.